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SUBJ: NEPALESE DELEGATION LEAVES FOR INTER-PARLIAMENTARY
UNION MEETING

1. A FIVE MEMBER DELEGATION HEADED BY RASTRIYA PANCHAYAT
(NATIONAL LEGISLATIVE BODY) CHAIRMAN NAIN BAHADUR
SWANR LEAVES KATHMANDU AUGUST 29 TO PARTICIPATE IN THE
62ND SESSION OF THE INTER-PARLIAMENTARY UNION (IPU).
DELEGATION LEADER SWANR WAS BORN IN 1928 OF A PEASANT
FAMILY AND WAS ELECTED TO THE PANCHAYAT IN 1967. HE WAS
SUBSEQUENTLY MINISTER OF STATE FOR LAND REFORMS FROM 1968-
1969 AND LED NEPAL'S DELEGATION TO THE 61ST MEETING OF THE
IPU IN TOKYO. OLYER MEMBERS OF THE DELEGATION INCLUDE
THE ACTING SECRETARY AND ACTING UNDER SECRETARY OF THE
RASTRIYA PANCHAYAT SECRETARIAT WM WELL AS THE FOLLOWING
INDIVIDUALS.

2. PRAKASH BAHADUR SINGH -- BORN 1949; EDUCATED IN INDIA
AND MEMBER OF THE PANCHAYAT SINCE 1968. ASSISTANT MINISTER
FOR HOME AND PANCHAYAT AFFAIRS 1972-1975. SINGH
SPEAKS GOOD ENGLISH. HE IS MARRIED WITH TWO SONS AND IS
REPORTED TO BE INTERESTDJ IN GOVERNMENT AND SOCIAL WORK,
DEBATING, FOOTBALL AND HOCKEY.

3. NAVA RAJ SUBEDI -- A BRAHMAN, WAS BORN IN 1937 AND
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EDUCATED IN NEPAL. ELECTED TO THE PANCHAYAT IN 1964.

ASSISTANT MINISTER OF FINANCE 1967, MINISTER OF
STATE FOR HOME AND PANCHAYAT AFFAIRS 1966. MINISTER FOR
INDUSTRY, COMMERCE AND PUBLIC WORKS 1970-1971. LED NEPALESE
DELEGATION NEGOTIATING INDO-NEPAL TREATY OF TRADE AND
COMMERCE IN 1970. HE HAS TRAVELLED TO JAPAN, SOUTH KOREA
AND CHINA. IN THE EARLY SIXTIES HE WAS ACTIVE IN YOUTH AFFAIRS
AND AT THAT TIME HAD THE REPUTATION OF BEING PRO-COMMUNIST. HIS
ENGLISH IS REPORTED TO BE GOOD. CARGO

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